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**Amendments to the Specification**

On page 1 of the subject application, please amend paragraph 1 of the specification as follows:

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This application claims the benefit of priority from commonly owned U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial Number 60/229,774, filed September 1, 2000 ~~2001~~, entitled APPLICATION OF AUTOMATIC SPEECH RECOGNITION TO OUTBOUND CALLS.

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